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WILLIAM SCOTT
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Honorable Police Commission
 City and County of San Francisco
 1245 3rd Street, 6th Floor West
 San Francisco, CA 94158

Re: Second Quarter 2022 Firearm Discharge Review Board Findings and Recommendations

Dear Commissioners:

On Wednesday April 20th, at approximately 1300 hours, pursuant to and in compliance with Department General Order 3.10.I, Subsection D, the Firearm Discharge Review Board convened to review the completed OIS and OID investigations for the Second Quarter of 2022. The meeting was held via Microsoft Teams.

The Firearm Discharge Review Board (FDRB) reviewed completed OIS case **20-004**. The FDRB was comprised as follows:

Voting Board Members

Assignments

- Deputy Chief Robert O’Sullivan (Chair).....Administration Bureau
- Deputy Chief DavidOperations Bureau
- Acting Commander Alexa O’Brien.....Airport Bureau
- Deputy Chief Daniel Perea.....Special Operations Bureau

Advisory Board Members

Assignments

- Commissioner Cindy Elias.....Police Commission
- Captain Mark Cota.....Risk Management
- Lieutenant Angela Wilhelm.....Internal Affairs Division
- Sergeant Alan Callaway.....SFPD Range
- Attorney Sarah Hawkins.....Department of Police Accountability
- Captain Thomas Harvey.....Training Division

Also present were Lieutenant Mike Nevin and Officer Patrick Woods of the Field Tactics Force Options Unit (FTFO), the Police Commission Secretary Sergeant Stacey Youngblood, Sergeant Joseph Minner of the Administration Bureau as well as Sergeant Paul Ospital of the Internal Affairs Division. Attorney Tinnetta Thompson of DPA was also present..

Sergeant Ospital presented OIS 20-004. After the presentation there was a discussion regarding some of the tactics used by the officers during the incident. It was noted that the body worn camera footage and the case file documents showed that the officers on scene had formulated a plan for their response to this incident as they came on scene. There were comments that the officers planning their course of action and their use of tactics shows how the Critical Mindset Coordinated Response (CMCR) training is being utilized by officers during their responses to high-risk incidents. It was also noted that the small number of rounds fired shows the effect of ongoing firearms training at the police range wherein officers are being trained to use more discipline when they do have to discharge their firearm.

After considering the facts, conclusions, and analysis in the case, the FDRB voted unanimously to concur with the recommendations of **"IN POLICY"** regarding the officers involved in this shooting.

After the vote, Lieutenant Nevin gave a summary of the FTFO's analysis of the shooting. He again noted the excellent use of tactics by the officers on scene before, during and after the shooting. He also noted their use of tactics and coordination to safely approach the subject so they could secure him and then begin to render aid as soon as possible after the shooting. There was brief discussion following this that noted the training provided by FTFO appears to be having a noticeable positive impact on the way officers manage high-risk incidents.

The findings of the 2nd Quarter 2022 Firearm Discharge Review Board are hereby forwarded for your review and consideration.

Sincerely,



WILLIAM SCOTT

Chief of Police

2nd QUARTER 2022
FIREARM DISCHARGE REVIEW BOARD
Wednesday April 20th, 2022

Officer-Involved Shootings

Officer-Involved Shooting (OIS) Summary

OIS 20-004:

On November 17th, 2020, at approximately 1709 hours, San Francisco Police Department officers responded to a call of a fight between two males at the intersection of 5th and Market Streets. One of the males was said to be armed with a large kitchen knife and a frying pan. Numerous officers responded to the scene.

The first unit on scene was a two officer unit. Officer #1 deployed the Extended Range Impact Weapon (ERIW), and Officer #2 was the lethal cover officer. They encountered the Suspect with the knife and frying pan walking east toward 4th Street on the south sidewalk of Market Street. The officers gave repeated verbal commands for the Suspect to stop and drop the knife. The Suspect did not comply and continued to walk eastbound. Officer #1 then fired the ERIW at the Suspect one time which struck the Suspect but had no effect. The Suspect then charged toward Officer #1 in a threatening manner. Officer #1 deployed his ERIW one more time with no effect. At the same time, Officer #3 had arrived on scene equipped with a less than lethal option that fires a forty-millimeter projectile. Officer #3 deployed this once at the Suspect to no effect. Officer #2 fearing that the Suspect would stab and kill Officer #1 fired his firearm at the Suspect striking him. The Suspect fell to the ground but maintained possession of the knife and frying pan. The officers repeated commands to drop the knife, but the Suspect did not comply and stood up. As additional officers arrived on scene, Officer #3 then deployed his 40mm less than lethal option again which had no effect on the Suspect. The Suspect then lunged toward officers with the knife in his hand. Officer #4 on scene deployed his firearm at the Suspect to protect the lives and safety of his fellow officers. The Suspect was struck again and then fell to the ground but did not release the knife and pan and remained conscious.

Attempting to gain compliance and have the Suspect release the knife and pan, officers on scene deployed several more ERIW and foam projectiles at the Suspect and used OC "pepper spray". These weapons had no effect and the Suspect continued to possess the knife and pan. Two San Francisco Sheriff's Deputies arrived on scene. They advised they were equipped with electronic control weapons (Tasers). Use of the Taser was authorized by an on scene SFPD sergeant. One deputy deployed the Taser twice on the Suspect. After the first deployment of the Taser the Suspect did not comply. After the second deployment the Suspect dropped the knife. The Suspect was taken into custody. Officers began to immediately render aid to the Suspect, and he was transported to SFGH for treatment.